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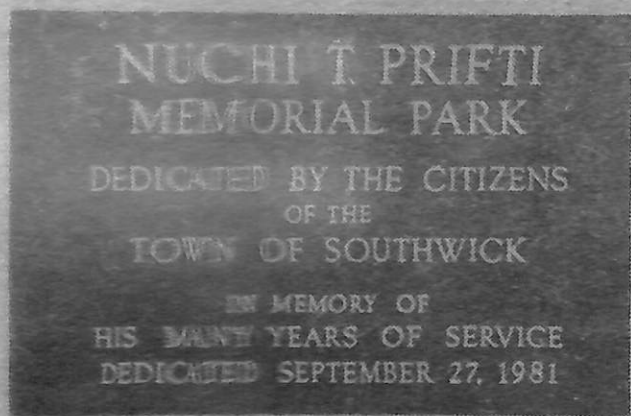
## Southwick Honors Prifti's Memory



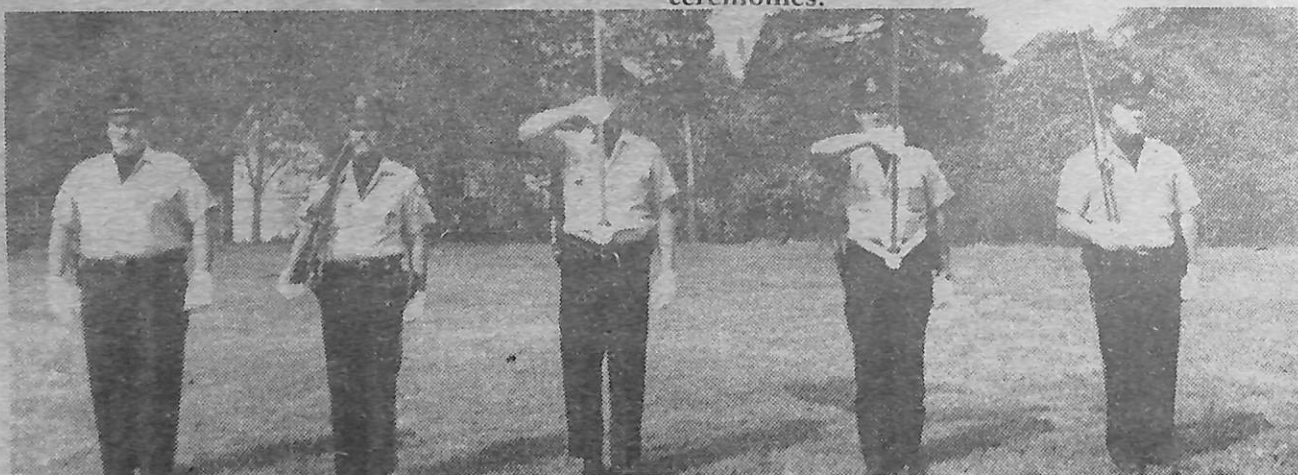
First Selectman Vivian Brown poses with Mrs. Nuchi Prifti and State Representative Ed Connelly at ceremonies honoring the late public servant.



The Rev. James P. Menge, pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Church, gave the invocation to open the ceremonies.



A memorial plaque has been set in stone to mark the memorial park dedicated to Nuchi T. Prifti.



Members of the Police Color Guard stand at attention during dedication ceremonies. From left to right, they are Sgt. Henry LaBombard, William Frasco, Robert Laughlin, Michael Kolendo, and Richard Cross.



Officiating at the Prifti dedication Sunday were (left to right) Melbert Johnson, fire chief; Charles Wolfe, police chief; Rev. David Wright; Rev. James Menge; State Rep. Ed Connelly; Priscilla Deveno, school board chairman; The Honorable Joseph E. Rodgers; Selectman John Viel; and First Selectman Vivian Brown.

Sunday, September 27th, a beautiful Indian summer day, marked the formal dedication of the Nuchi T. Prifti Memorial Park, located off College Highway in the center of Southwick.

Well over 200 area residents turned out to honor the memory of friend and dedicated public servant, Nuchi Prifti.

A member of many area boards and committees, Prifti gave generously of his time and talents for the town he loved. In fact, he was serving on the Board of Selectmen at the time of his death.

His efforts and loyalty will long be remembered.

PHOTOS BY JACK DEVINE



# Town To Ban Nuclear Dump

By Andi Phelps

**Southwick:** About a dozen local residents attended the Tuesday evening Planning Board public hearing at Southwick High on the restriction of establishing a nuclear dump site in this town.

The Board of Health has requested the Planning Board to consider asking the town meeting to amend the local zoning by-laws to include an article prohibiting any land in Southwick from being used for the collection, treatment, storage, burial, incineration or disposal of all radioactive waste.

Dave Breton, representing the Health Board, spoke in favor of the proposal. There was no opposition expressed.

In a brief question period, Planning Board Chairman James Franklin said that even with the by-law amendment, the state and federal government can overrule a local law under almost any circumstances. The addition, he said, was a good deterrent because, if the state thought Southwick was a good site for a nuclear dump, "they'd know they would have a fight."

The Planning Board also questioned whether the Board of Health should adopt such restriction into their regulations. It was noted that health regulations sometimes carry more strength because they are under the protection of the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering.

## Suffield Democrats Open Headquarters

The Suffield Democrats will officially open their headquarters for Campaign '81 on Saturday morning, October 3rd, at 10 a.m.

The headquarters is located in the salesroom of Country Auto Sales, Inc., at 11 High Street (adjacent to the Town Green).

Residents are invited to stop in and meet the candidates and other Suffielders.

According to the state plans, any industrial or agriculturally-zoned land is eligible for consideration as a dump site, says Donald Desmond, Planning Board member. Desmond added, "Unfortunately, there is a lot of sandy area adjacent to the Great Brook Aquifer that is that is zoned industrial."

The proposed by-law addition will be voted on at the November 12th special town meeting when the Planning Board will make its recommendation prior to residents voting.

As a stop-gap measure, the Board of Health has adopted an emergency regulation to prohibit nuclear waste disposal in the town for 90 days. Board of Health Chairman Leo Sagan reported that, following a discussion with legal counsel, he felt a zoning by-law amendment would be more likely to receive approval of the Attorney General's office than a Board of Health regulation would.

Local action began as a result of the recent state proposal to find suitable disposal areas for low-level radioactive waste by 1985. A radioactive waste disposal site would probably be located on federal or state-owned land in a low population area with access to major transportation routes, according to state and federal guidelines.

Several Western Massachusetts communities are considering or have already passed similar protective measures.

## Voter Registration Dates

**Suffield:** Irene Gunshanan, registrar, announces there are five more opportunities to register to vote before the November 3rd election.

The registrar's office will be open Saturday, October 3rd, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday, October 7 from 6 to 9 p.m.; Saturday, October 10 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesday, October 13 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Thursday, October 15, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

# Special Election Approaches

By Andi Phelps

**Southwick:** Three persons are vying to fill the unexpired term of selectman in the town's special election slated for October 27th. The term will run until the annual town election scheduled for April, 1983.

Russell S. Fox of 65 Davis Road was unanimously endorsed by the recent Republican caucus.

Linda McQuade of 50 Davis Road won the Democratic nomination by a one-vote margin over opponent Janice Putnam at the Democratic caucus.

Robert A. Flagg of 9 Feeding Hills Road is running as an independent candidate.

Voter registration will be held daily from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Town Clerk's office. Special sessions will also be held on Saturday, October 3rd, from noon to 8 p.m.; Monday, October 5, from 7 to 9 p.m.; and Wednesday, October 7, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The town offices will be open on that Wednesday only for registration. Absentee ballot applications will be available until noon on Monday, October 26th.

The special election is scheduled for October 27th at the Powder Mill School from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

## McQuade Edges Out Opponent Putnam

**Southwick:** Democratic candidate for the vacant seat on the Southwick Board of Selectmen Linda McQuade has nosed out opponent Janice Putnam in the town's Democratic caucus held last Friday.

Ms. McQuade received 21 votes to Ms. Putnam's 20. She will now face Republican candidate Russell Fox and independent Robert Flagg in the town's special election set for October 27th.

Ms. McQuade is currently serving as secretary in the Westfield office for Community Development. She is a former secretary to the Board of Selectmen.

She has pointed out her extensive knowledge of town government as part of her campaign remarks, declaring she has "sat on both sides of the desk" in reference to her time as a reporter for a Springfield newspaper as well as her tenure as secretary to the board.

She has also indicated her belief that industrial and residential growth in Southwick must be controlled in an orderly fashion.

Ms. McQuade lives at 50 Davis Road with her two daughters, Karin and Heather.

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## CT. Rep. Endorses Town Republicans

Suffield: State Representative Ruth Fahrback has endorsed Suffield Republican candidates for office.

"Federal tax cuts mean more responsibility at the local level," she commented. "Over the next three years, according to the Office of Fiscal Analysis, an independent firm, Suffield taxpayers will be able to keep 6.2 million more dollars in their pockets. This is \$664 per person in Suffield, or when children and non-taxpayers are excluded, it means \$1400 for every taxpayer."

She continued, "Now instead of paying for a project in Seattle, Washington, the taxpayers will have the option of keeping it in their pockets or using it for projects here in Suffield."

She declared her support for Carl Glens as candidate for First Selectman. Declaring he will listen to the concerns of all the citizens, she stated, "He will lead the voters away from the parochial domination of multi-town meetings to a consistent plan of capital expenditure."

She also endorsed Howard Lloyd for selectman because of his "valuable tax experience as well as his experience working with farmers in estate planning and land use."

She stated that Debbie Holbrook, candidate for town clerk, will lend "historical perspective" to the ticket.

"Suffield should be very pleased they have the opportunity to vote for 33 extremely well-qualified candidates who are willing to give of their time and talents," she concluded.

### All Political Candidates - Read This Information

The policy of the Southwick/Suffield Advertiser News concerning municipal elections allows each candidate to submit a campaign statement and photo during the campaign and the week prior to the election (on a space available basis).

Photos can be arranged through our photographer and fees for pictures are arranged directly with the photographer.

Political advertisements must be endorsed and are available by calling the office. We have had several requests and we ask all candidates who wish to advertise to call us immediately so we can make the appropriate arrangements with you.

If there are any questions concerning our election policies, please call Penny Stone, managing editor or Richard Sardella, publisher, at (413) 786-7747 or 786-8137.

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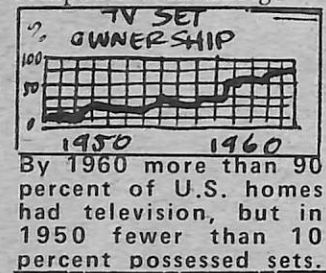
## Financial Facts

By Gary Smith  
Suffield Savings Bank

The deregulation of banking has been underway for two years. So far, there has been little fanfare and only modest results. Indeed, most people outside of banking and the financial community are probably not even aware of the fact that deregulation is taking place. As the process of deregulation continues however, banking will undergo some fundamental changes that all consumers will recognize as beneficial.

Banking has been a heavily regulated industry for the past 50 years. Strict regulations were imposed on banking during the Great Depression of the 1930's to restore the stability and insure the long term viability of banking. Certainly these results have been achieved. Since the Depression however, many regulations have been passed that restrict competition among banks and also between banks and other financial intermediaries.

It has finally become evident that regulations that restrict competition are not healthy for banks individually or for the industry as a whole. For example, the interest rates that banks pay on deposits are set by federal regulations. There is virtually no rate competition among banks for deposits; the law assures this. Banks have tried to evade rate regulations by offering premiums and give-aways to attract depositors. Within the industry this tactic only shifts money from one bank to another without providing any lasting competitive advantage.



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On a broader scale, interest rate regulations have prevented banks from competing equally with Money Market funds that pay high daily interest to their customers. The result has been that in just three years, non-bank money funds have been able to attract over \$150 billion in deposits away from banks.

As more companies have entered into competition with banks, the inequity of these restrictions has become apparent. American Express and VISA have recently acquired stock brokerage firms and have started offering banking services. Sears, which is already the nation's largest retail credit company, will soon offer a money fund and other banking services.

In part, the successes of these non-bank entities has been the result of their freedom to offer banking services unhindered by banking regulations. Banking regulations that prohibit interstate banking, restrict branch locations, restrict services, limit investment opportunities and establish arbitrary rate ceilings can be ignored by these other companies.

Orderly banking deregulation will allow banks to be innovative and creative in their competition with other banks and with the new non-bank entrants into the banking field.

In the final analysis, the consumer will be the chief beneficiary of deregulation. New and better services have already been introduced thanks to deregulation. Some examples are six month Certificates of Deposit and 2 1/2 year Certificates. Shortly, rates on regular savings will increase to 6.0% and all rate restrictions will be removed from Individual Retirement Accounts. As deregulation continues over the next four years, even better services are sure to emerge.

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# Townfolk

## Southwick Grange Officers Installed



INSTALLATION OF SOUTHWICK GRANGE OFFICERS took place on Tuesday, September 29th at the Grange Hall. Members of the Farmington Valley Installing Team of Connecticut officiated. Back row, from left: Arthur Rote, Vivian Shaw, Marilyn Lockwood, Linia Erickson and Michael Kotowicz. Front row: Bruce Lockwood, Johanna Kotowicz, Edna Blanchard, Barbara Case and Scott Liner. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

## Jaycees Women To Meet Art League Slates Meeting

Suffield: The Suffield Jaycee Women will hold their October 5th meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Donna Corriveau on Newgate Road.

All women between the ages of 18 and 40 are invited. If you are interested in attending, please call Donna at (203) 668-0281 or Carol Buckelew at (203) 668-5145.

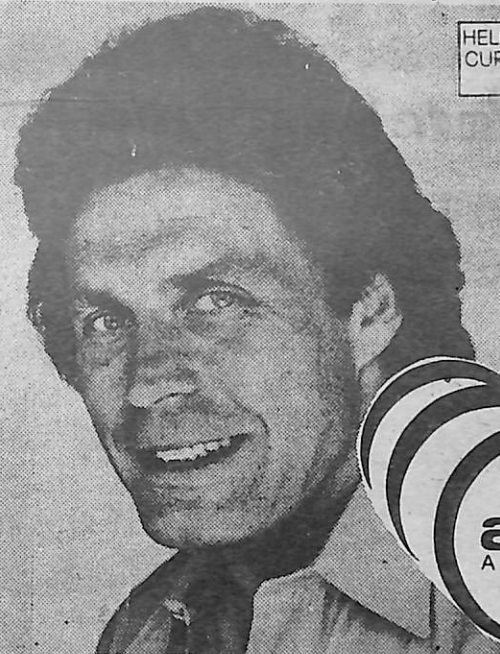
SOUTHWICK: The Southwick Art League will meet on October 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the art room at Southwick High School.

Speaker for the evening will be Dr. Raymond Casella, an Agawam doctor who will give a slide presentation on Early American paintings entitled "Is Painting an Art or History."

Dr. Casella has requested members to bring old paintings to the meeting in order for him to evaluate them for their approximate point in history and dollar value.

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## Suffield Native Weds In Waltham

Announcement has been made of the marriage on August 23, 1981, of Jill Ellen Fitzgerald to Robert Thomas Ridge of North Quincy, Massachusetts. The ceremony took place in Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted Church, Waltham.

Sandra Fitzgerald attended as maid of honor, and Francis J. Ridge acted as best man.

Following a reception at Best Western East Hotel in Waltham, the couple left for a honeymoon trip to Cape Cod.

The bride is the daughter of Agnes Fitzgerald of 47 Brandywine Lane, Suffield, and the late Maurice P. Fitzgerald. She is employed by the Waltham school department.

The groom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John J. Ridge of Quincy and is employed by the Engineering Department of the City of Boston.

The newlyweds reside in Quincy.

## Arts Council Slates Photo '81

Suffield: Photo '81, a juried photography show sponsored by the Suffield Council for the Arts, begins October 10th and runs through November 6th. Juror for this event will be Walter Rabetz, current chairman of the Art Department at Loomis Chaffee School, Windsor.

Rabetz works are part of the permanent collection at the Museum of Modern Art, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Philadelphia Museum, the Rhode Island School of Design Museum, the Hartford Arts Festival Collection, the Boston Arts Center and elsewhere.

One thousand dollars will be awarded in major prizes with the exact number and denominations determined by the jury.

Rabetz will conduct a special workshop on making a pinhole camera on Saturday, October 24th at the library. The program will be in two interrelated sessions with a single registration.

Contact Suffield Council for the Arts, P.O. Box 415, Suffield, CT 06078 for registration forms or call the Kent Memorial Library at (203) 668-2325. The show takes place at the Kent Library on Route 75.

## Women's Club Plans Membership Coffee

Suffield: The Suffield Women's Club has scheduled a membership coffee for individuals interested in the organization for Thursday, October 15th, from 10 to noon.

Women of all ages who are interested in participating in the club's many civic, social, and educational activities should call membership co-chairman Ann Harvey at (203) 668-5144 for Phyllis Hoffmann at 668-0489 for full details.

A member of the state and general federation of women's clubs, the Suffield Club was organized as the Women's Reading Club in 1844 and became federated under its present name in 1926.

Members meet on the second Tuesday of each month - October through May at the Kent Memorial Library. Meetings begin at 12:30 with refreshments and a program following the business meeting. Babysitters are available for mothers who may wish to join.



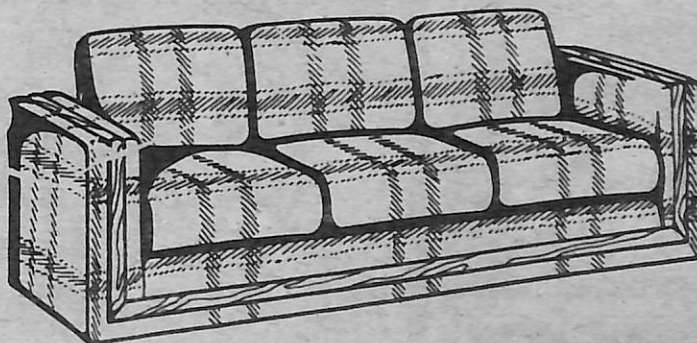
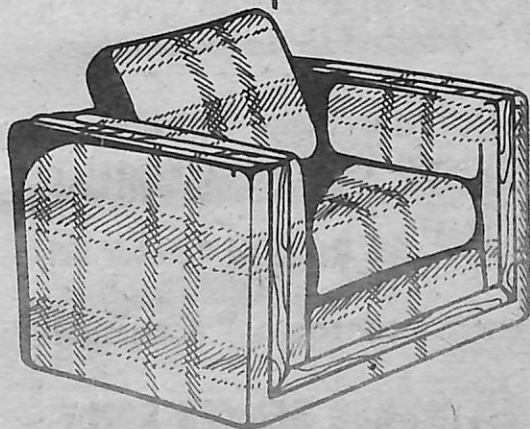
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## Suffield Calendar Of Events

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Mon., Oct. 5th: Garden Club, 12:30 p.m.; Jaycee Women, 7:30 p.m.

Tues., Oct. 6th: Town-wide

E.D.I.T.H. Home Fire Drill, 7 p.m.; Blood Pressure Clinic, 1:30 p.m.; Second Congregational Church; AARP Board Meeting, 2 p.m.; Central Firehouse

Wed., Oct. 7: Child and Family Services Thrift Shop, will be open Wed. & Thurs. 10 - 3:30 and Fri. and Sat. 10 - 1; Senior Citizens' program, 10 A.M.; Second Congregational Church, W. Suffield. Board of Admissions, 6-9 P.M. Register to vote, Town Hall. St. Joseph's Rosary Guild, 7:30 P.M., Church Hall.

Thurs., Oct. 8: Holy Name Society Bingo, 7:30 P.M. St. Joseph's Church Hall.

Sat., Oct. 10 Board of Admissions, 9 A.M.-8 P.M. Town Hall.

## Kent Library Activities

Suffield: The Kent Memorial Library will re-open for Sunday hours beginning October 4th. Open hours will be each Sunday from 1 to 4:30, and reference service will be available.

The library subscribes to five major Sunday newspapers including the *New York Times* and the *Boston Globe*.

Special for Sunday hours will be the appearance of the popular group the Pandemonium Puppets with a program set to begin at 2 p.m. this Sunday. Tickets to this show made available through a grant from the Connecticut Commission on the Arts will be given to anyone from kindergarten age through adult.

The memorable 1948 film "The Red Shoes" is the next in the series to be shown at the library. This particular feature will take place on Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Admission is free.

Elvis Presley, king of rock and roll, will be singing fifteen songs in the 1961 film "Blue Hawaii" to be shown at the library on Monday evening, October 19th, at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

A special program at hydroponics - gardening without soil - on Monday, October 19th at 10:30 a.m. Ed Marrotte of the UConn extension service will be discussing this new, space-saving approach to growing most kinds of plants. He will be stressing the practices the average gardener may find for hydroponics. Admission is free.

For more information on any of these programs, please call (203) 668-2325.

## Tag Sale To Benefit Lakes

Southwick: A giant tag sale will be held on Sunday, October 18th, from 9 to 5 o'clock for the benefit of the Congamond Lakes restoration and cleanup.

The sale will take place at Robinson's Century 21 Shopping Plaza on College Highway. All are invited to stop by.

## For Photographs

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## Quilt Show Benefits Old Meeting House

By Candace Bloomrose

The Old Meeting House Quilt Show and Sale, to be held in Granville on October 9th and 10th, will raise money to complete restoration of that structure built in 1802. Upon completion, the building, owned by the town, will be available for public use.

Although vacant for years, the Old Meeting House was attended by hundreds as the original church in Granville. A bicentennial grant provided funds to restore partially this large, white building at the top of the hill with new beams, sub-flooring, windows, and a rear addition.

In September, 1980, the idea to obtain more money with a quilt show and sale originated with two Granville women, Doris Kampe and Peggy Jones. However, the first group-quilting endeavor by residents was a bicentennial quilt which will be displayed at this month's show. After that quilt was completed, Ms. Jones taught quilting regularly and interest in the handicraft flourished.

Since last January, fifty women have participated in weekly workshops at the fire-house, quilting for the October show. Cindy Tavernise, a talented Granville artist, created many of the quilt show designs.

Seed money for materials came from the Ladies Aid, Ladies Auxiliary, and Historical Society. To raise additional funds, ads were sold and are to be published in a souvenir program.

The souvenir program, containing a detailed map of the location and contents of six exhibit buildings, including the Old Meeting House, will be given to anyone paying admission.

Over 400 antique quilts, new quilts and quilted items, some for sale and all clearly marked, will be displayed. Finished pillows, quilted clothing, wall hangings, crib quilts, and hundreds of original and traditional design pillow kits, assembled by quilters, will be sold.



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Five door prize drawings will be held. The lucky first prize recipient wins a white-on-white, floral motif, full-size quilt, which was awarded a red ribbon at the Big E Craft Adventure '81.

An appliqued baby quilt featuring scenes adapted from children's drawings is the unique second prize. These two quilts were completed through group effort and designed by Cindy Tavernise.

Third, fourth, and fifth prizes are an antique reproduction doll bed with spread and pillow, quilted wall hanging and quilted vest.

Knowledgeable hostesses providing information and crafters conducting demonstrations will be evident at various locations. The acclaimed film "Quilts in Women's Lives" by Pat Ferraro will be shown throughout both days.

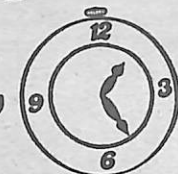
Visitors may purchase yard goods at select quilt shops or quilt and craft books at a fine bookstore, as well as a reasonably priced meal of delicious country food or snacks of cider, doughnuts, and Granville cheese.

The public is invited to enjoy this special event, costing \$2, \$1.50 for senior citizens, on Friday or Saturday, October 9th and 10th from 10 to 4 o'clock, rain or shine.

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## Community Scrapbook

By Claudia Scott

When Dorothy Flagg volunteered to answer phones at the Southwick Council on Aging Center, she did not realize that she was in the process of beginning a new career.

Now, four years later, Dot is very busy as the senior aide, a paid staff person for Highland Valley Elder Services Inc. This is a federally-funded project which directs senior citizen programs such as home care services, a nutrition program and free legal aid.

Although Dot has been hired for four hours a day, there are required trips to Northampton for district meetings and other numerous responsibilities that occasionally make the job seem like a full-time position. She also serves as the volunteer secretary-treasurer of the council and is currently busy working on the budget.

"This is a drop-in center for all senior citizens in Southwick," Dot explained.

With over 900 Southwick people in this category, there is a definite need for a place like this. Funded by the town, there are a variety of social and recreational activities offered its senior citizens.

Dot is involved in helping to organize various classes such as needlecrafts and ceramics. She and Council on Aging Chairwoman Joan Randolph arrange dates and publicize senior activities through a newsletter that Dot puts together. These dates and programs can also be found in the *Advertiser/News* "Spotlight on Seniors" section.

The Senior Center is housed in a yellow building on Point Grove Road. It has a ramp walkway which makes Dot very happy as she recalls difficulties she has had when trying to take friends in wheelchairs shopping.

"We couldn't get into many buildings with wheelchairs, and it would make me so mad!" she declared.

People usually come to the center after they hear about it from other seniors. The two elderly housing units in Southwick also serve as good places for word-of-mouth publicity for the center.

Dot said that a variety of people use the services of the center. "The ages in the group span from 60 to 90," she added.

This type of work is totally new for Dot. At age 68, she is the mother of seven children, has twenty grandchildren, and also one great-grandchild.

She was an L.P.N. for twelve years after raising her children. To become a nurse, she completed the "After Forty" course in Westfield, created for women like Dot who wanted a career after their families had grown.



MRS. DOROTHY FLAGG

Although a heart attack forced her to retire from full-time nursing, she has kept her hand in the profession through volunteer work. Recently, when she was in California for the winter, Dot helped a nurse in a school of 900 children. Even on her vacations, she likes to be busy.

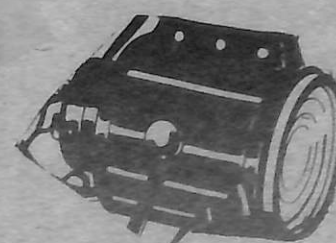
Dot and her husband Charles celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary last year. Even her children from Texas and California made the party to honor them.

Because they do have children across the country, Dot has travelled to almost every state. She especially enjoyed sights in California such as Disneyland and Knott's Berry Farm.

Dot mentions her mother with obvious pride. She said her mother became a teacher at the age of fifteen after attending Westfield Normal School. That was in 1896. She tutored well into her seventies and lived to be 87.

Maybe it was her example to Dot that makes Dorothy Flagg such an active woman. Whatever the reason, Southwick is benefitting from her influence.

*We look forward to hearing from you. Help us fill our scrapbook. Call the Advertiser/News at (413) 786-7747 or Claudia Scott in Enfield at (203) 745-6764.*



## Spotlight On Seniors

Joan Randolph, chairman of the Council on Aging, wishes to announce a combination Happy Birthday/Halloween Party at the center on October 20th from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Please come and have fun. COSTUMES, IF YOU WISH.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Oct. 6th: Knitting - 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Also on October 6th, don't forget flu shots at 7 p.m. at the center, 134 Point Grove Road.

Oct. 7th: Quilting - 1 to 3 p.m.

Oct. 8th: Ceramics at 240 Eastwood Drive, Westfield, from 1 to 3:30

Oct. 9th: Beading class - 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 12th: Senior meeting at the center - 1:15 to 3:30 p.m.

Oct. 20th: Council on Aging meeting, 7:30

Nutritious, well-balanced meals are served hot each weekend at the Senior Center. If you have not tried them, we encourage you to do so. The Senior Van is equipped with a wheelchair lift and is available five days a week. Transportation from your home to the center is available by calling 569-5498 for reservations.

### MENUS

Oct. 5th: Salisbury steak, gravy, whipped potato, green beans, apple juice, pears

Oct. 6th: Stuffed cabbage, scalloped potato, sliced carrots, white cake w/choc. frosting

Oct. 7th: Baked chicken, gravy, stuffing, peas, cranberry sauce, apricots

Oct. 8th: Lasagna, wax beans, orange juice, sliced peaches

Oct. 9th: Franks & beans, creamy cole slaw, tomato juice, banana

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This program can provide bereaved persons with the comfort of knowing that others have had many of the same feelings. It also suggests ways they may cope with the



depression and loneliness to work toward building a new life.

In addition, it has been widely used by health care professionals, the clergy and others actively involved in advising persons experiencing the pain of a loss.

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### DOUGH MAKERS

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### SOUP KITCHEN

Come join us each Wednesday for homemade soup, warm bread or sandwiches. On those cold afternoons the kitchens alternate between Maple Court and West Suffield Congregational Church. Please call 668-0238 for reservations.

### BOWLING

Every Tuesday morning at Bradley Bowl in Windsor Locks. Cost is \$1.85 and includes shoe rental. (50¢ donation each week towards banquet at end of the year.) Car pools organized by calling 668-0238.

### MINI FOLIAGE TRIPS

October 6, 8, and 15, the Recreation Dept. will run three mini foliage trips for senior citizens. Pick a day and enjoy the colorful sights along the way. Will also stop for lunch. Please make reservations by calling 668-0238.

### QUILT SHOW VISIT

Day trip on Friday, October 9th, to the Granville Old Meeting House Quilt Show. Will leave Suffield about 9:30 a.m. and return about 4 p.m. Call 668-0238 for reservations.

### POETRY READINGS/ LUNCHES

Kent Memorial Library/Soup Kitchen program will feature Stephanie Alaimo poetry readings. Program starts at 10 a.m. at Maple Court Hall. Lunch will be served at noon. Minibus transportation available. Call 668-0344. Lunch reservations: call 668-0238.



KIM GIBRIANO CHECKS DAD'S home-made Italian sausages while Gibby stirs his delicious sauce. Advertiser/News Photo By Jack Devine.

## Gibby's At Ebb's Corner: Home-Cooked Italian Delights

When considering dining out for Italian food, one should know that all Italian restaurants are not the same. While menus and prices may be similar, the real difference between many establishments lies in the preparation of the food. The restaurateur striving to satisfy the palate of his customers puts extra care into the food he prepares; the one concerned only with profits does not.

One local restaurant which scores favorably in this respect is Gibby's Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria, located at Ebb's Corner, 23 Babbs Rd., West Suffield, Ct. Sam Gibbiano, owner and primary chef, exhibits a special pride in his craft and this pride is reflected in the quality of the food he serves.

"Gibby" prepares food the old fashioned way, mixing his own blend of sauce, rolling out his pizza dough, or making homemade cannolis, a delectable Italian dessert. There are no frozen pizza shells or other shortcuts at Gibby's Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria.

Gibby had been a framing contractor for 25 years, since he was a teenager in New Jersey. He has always loved Italian cooking, so he opened the Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria late last year. Helping him operate the restaurant are his wife, Barbara, who works days at Combustion Engineering, and his two daughters. Still, it is Gibby himself who carries the main responsibility for the restaurant, working 12-14 hours each day.

The Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria features giant, hot

oven grinders, pasta platters, complete dinners, and pizza. Dinners are served with spaghetti and a garden salad and may be topped with Gibby's own special dressings. So intent is Gibby on satisfying his patrons that grinder lovers have a choice of 9 different toppings on their sandwiches.

For the working man looking for a good, hot lunch, the Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria has the Workman's Special, served daily from 12-3 P.M. This includes a half-grinder, a bowl of homemade soup, and soda or coffee for only \$2.50. Gibby's also serves beer by the pitcher or glass and wine.

But the real highlight of the Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria is Gibby's pizza. Gibby pre-cooks the hamburger and sausage to insure a less greasy pizza. He also uses a mixture of two different cheeses to get exactly the flavor he wants on his pizzas. The result is a delicious golden-brown, medium-thick pizza, made with the customer's choice of seven additional items.

In October, the Italian Kitchen & Pizzeria will be having a pizza special. A plain cheese pizza will carry a base price of \$4 for the large, and \$2 for the small size; sixteen and ten inches respectively. During October, customers will be able to purchase a large combination pizza and a pitcher of beer for just \$10; a real bargain in these days of inflationary prices.

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# EDITORIAL

Human resources - every town has its own human resources. These are people who possess special gifts, talents, and expertise which, when offered to their community, can have a significant effect on its quality of life.

In these times of severe budget cuts and reduced municipal services, there exists an even greater need for townspeople to step forward and get involved in local affairs.

This involvement may mean serving on a town commission or simply attending commission meetings to become better informed.

Or it may mean using your special talents to help local school support groups raise funds to increase educational and recreational programs.

Consider where your resources could have the greatest impact and then GET INVOLVED. You will be glad you did!

## Your Letters & Guest Editorials Are WELCOME

### Letters to the Editor

#### Reader Upset At Parents

To The Editor:

This letter is addressed to all of you that were invited to attend the meeting of the "Boost Our Southwick Schools" (BOSS) last Tuesday evening. To

the parents and school administrators that did take the time to attend, the BOSS-Committee would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation. To all of the other parents and citizens of Southwick, "WHERE WERE YOU?"

Over 600 invitations were sent home to all parents of students at the high school and Powder Mill School, and an invitation appeared in the local press. Why didn't you attend? Too busy? Not concerned? Not interested? Apathetic? Doesn't anyone care about what happens to the school system? Our youth programs? Doesn't anyone believe extra-curricular activities will be cut from the system? Well, parents and citizens, it's about time everyone faced the facts. This is real, it is going to happen and our children will suffer the consequences if we don't do something about it.

Doesn't it prickle your conscience to sit back and let someone else worry about your child's welfare? The BOSS Committee is not just fighting to save the students of today, but all the students of the future.

What kind of school system will there be in a few years time without extra-curricular activities such as music, drama, arts and sports? Next year the school system will be up for accreditation; if we lose extra-curriculars, we may very well lose accreditation.

We had made appeals to parents, businesses and citizens to support our group in any way possible. There response thus far does not speak too well of the town of Southwick. Are there other issues that are taking place in town more important? How can anyone turn their backs on our youth? The town has already made a mistake they will live to regret by allowing the Youth Committee to be abolished due to lack of funding. Is everything going to be taken from our young people? How then can we keep our youth on the "right track."

BOSS has made a commitment to our students and to the town of Southwick to subsidize these activities in the school system. We intend to live up to that commitment by whatever means necessary. We'll give up our night out and weekends to work on fund-raisers for this cause, because our kids are worth it. They can only have these experiences once in a lifetime, and we won't sit back and watch it all taken away from them.

Virginia Typrowicz  
Boost Our Southwick Schools

#### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SOUTHWICK

Notice is hereby given that the following articles, as voted at the Annual Town Meeting held June 9, 10, 11, 1981 were approved September 17, 1981 by Francis X. Bellotti, Attorney General.

Article 26, Voted to amend Chapter VII, Section 5 of the Town By-Laws.

Article 27, Voted to add section 30 to Article IV of the Town By-Laws.

Copies of the above articles are available for the public at the office of the Town Clerk. Copies are also posted in the police department, Town Library, and in the local banks.

Any appeal on claims of invalidity by reason of defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment may be made within 90 days in accordance with the procedures as outlined in Chapter 40A, Section 5 of the Ma. General Laws.

Barbara M. Pooler,  
Town Clerk  
Published: Oct. 3, 1981

#### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SOUTHWICK

DOINGS AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1981

ADJOURNED SESSIONS - JUNE 10 & 11, 1981

ARTICLE 31. VOTED to amend the Zoning Bylaw Map by changing a parcel of land from Industrial Restricted (IR) to Residential (R-40), bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on Routes 202 & 10 where the present Residential Zone R-40 abuts the Industrial Restricted Zone at the junction of plot 47 and 46 on Assessors Map "H," proceeding in a SOUTHERLY direction on the easterly side of Routes 202 & 10, a distance of approximately 2300 feet, to a northwest corner of plot 119A and 116 on Assessors Map "H"; thence proceeding in an EASTERLY direction along plot line of plot 116 a distance of 500 feet; thence proceeding in a NORTHERLY direction in a line 500 feet parallel to Routes 202 & 10 approximately 2300 feet to a point on the north border of plot 46 on Assessors Map "H" where the Industrial Restricted Zone meets the Residential Zone; thence in a WESTERLY direction along the northerly border of plot 46 approximately 500 feet along the existing residential line to a point of beginning.

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Approval of the above article was given by Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti, September 17, 1981.

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## Arts & Crafts Fair Slated

The Historical Society and Arts Council of Montgomery, Massachusetts, are presenting their second annual "Moose Meadow Arts and Crafts Fair" on Saturday and Sunday, October 3 and 4, in Montgomery Center. Hours on Saturday are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Sunday, from noon to 5 p.m.

The fair will feature Christmas items, needlework of all kinds, pottery and weaving, cypress clocks and wood products, stained glass, silk flowers, and other items.

The Montgomery Council on Aging will provide sandwiches, drinks and desserts.

Raindates are October 10 and 11.

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# School News



EXCHANGE STUDENTS XIMENA RIVAS of Bolivia and SAMI MARNO of Finland are attending Southwick High School this year. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

## Southwick Students Exchange Culture

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: High school students here are fortunate to have the opportunity to share their lifestyles with students from Bolivia and Finland this year.

Ximena Rivas of La Paz, Bolivia, and Sami Marno of Helsinki, Finland, both 16, are attending Southwick High and living with local families.

Ximena, who was educated in a French school in her home country, will complete her senior year here in preparation for college in the U.S. The only university in Bolivia has been closed due to unstable political conditions.

Ximena found school here to be more liberal, especially in its discipline. At home, students sat in class and marched to other classes in a much more regimented fashion, she says. She misses her former classmates, who she has been with since first grade, but is happy for the advantage to learn the language and culture of this country.

Proficient in Spanish, French and English, Ximena has to spend a little more time with her homework because she isn't used to studying in English. She finds math easier here and is actually repeating work done in Bolivia. She hopes to continue her studies in a technical field, possibly electrical engineering.

When asked how she liked being here, the attractive, dark-haired girl smiled with unmistakable approval. She admits not liking the laxity at first, and she had to be excused from physical education classes for a while so her body could adjust to the new atmosphere as her family lives in a mountainous area where the air is thinner.

Unlike Ximena, Sami is in Southwick through the Youth for Understanding program. His academic work here will not be accepted in Finland so he is here primarily to learn the language, way of life, and "a lot of things," he says.

An excellent student, according to school officials, Sami says his parents wouldn't like it if he "did nothing." Like Ximena, he also finds math courses easier to adjust to even though he handles our language capably.

Besides his native Finnish, he also speaks Spanish, the second language of Finland, and has studied German. He says English is the "easiest" foreign language for him to learn.

Previously, Sami has spent time in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., but this is his first time attending an American school.

Finnish students carry up to thirteen major subjects and work on a ten-day cycle. Both of our visiting students agree that the school atmosphere here is more relaxed than in their home countries. Sami notes that students here have better, "more personal" relationships with their teachers.

Ximena lives with Janet and Ken Nielsen on Davis Road. The Niensens and the Rivas, who do not know each other, have mutual friends in La Paz who privately arranged for Ximena to be hosted locally.

Janet Nielsen says it is quite a change to have a

### SOUTHWICK LUNCH MENUS

Powder Mill & High Schools

Mon., Oct. 5: Sausage & pepper grinder, tossed salad, chilled fruit, cookie, milk

Tues., Oct. 6: Oven fried chicken, cream gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, cake, milk

Wed., Oct. 7: Lasagna w/meat sauce, Popeye salad, French bread & butter, chilled fruit, milk

Thurs., Oct. 8: Hamburger on roll, sliced cheese, potato puffs, buttered corn, jello w/topping, milk

Fri., Oct. 9: Tomato rice soup, tuna salad on roll, carrot & celery sticks, cheese fingers, peach crisp, milk

"daughter" in the house after having two boys of her own. Her younger son is a senior at Westminster School in Simsbury and still lives at home. Her older son is boarding at college so the household wasn't disrupted too much with the new arrival.

With the help of her host family, Ximena has been able to continue ballet lessons, which she has studied for more than six years at home and is very advanced according to Mrs. Nielsen. Ximena is also active in a Bible study group at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Simsbury and with a local church Fellowship group.

At Christmas, she hopes to visit with her brother, a student at the Illinois Institute of Technology, and plans to return home with him before beginning college next year.

Sami plays soccer with the junior varsity team and enjoys tennis whenever possible. He looks forward to skiing this winter with his host family as he likes the speed of downhill skiing. He also plays piano with the school's jazz band.

An only child in Helsinki, Sami now has a "brother" and a "sister" in Granville as he is staying with Helene and Thomas Gates and their two children, Thomas, 10, and Joi, 14.

According to Mrs. Gates, Sami has blended right in with her family and seems to be adjusting well. "It has made a big change in my children," she says.

The Gates family is really glad they decided to take in a foreign student. "We were lucky when we got Sami," Mrs. Gates says.

Sami will not return home until the end of the school year, but has already spoken to his mother by telephone and will spend time with her in January when she will visit New York. Mrs. Gates also spoke to Sami's mother and said she felt that Mrs. Marno was comfortable knowing Sami was happy, adjusted, and loved with his temporary family.

After completing his high school work in Finland, Sami plans to return to the United States to study engineering.

Southwick High Guidance Counselor Bernard Hagan is pleased with the adjustment and the accomplishments of his new students. Neither Ximena nor Sami has had to have any special academic help or treatment.

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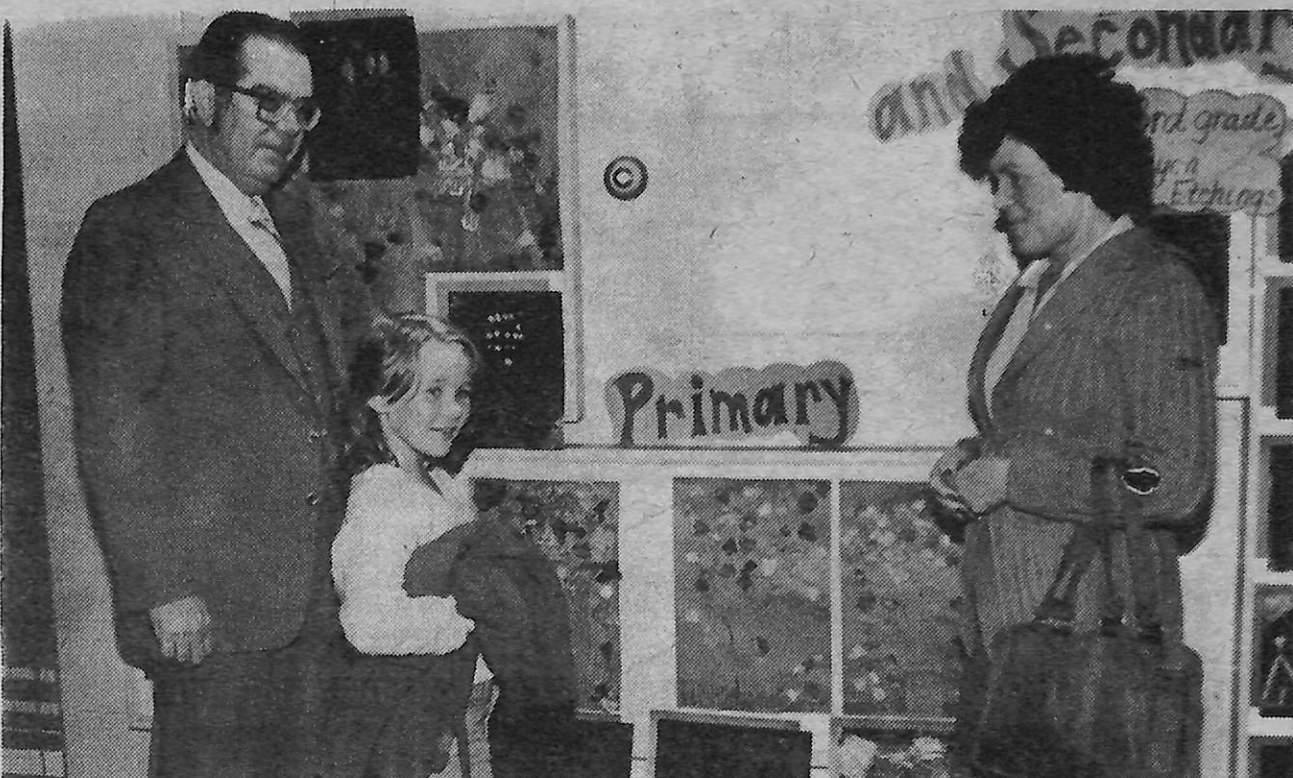
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MR. LOUIS CRAWFORD, principal of Woodland Elementary School in Southwick, looks on as second grader Penny Sharpe shows her Mom (Joan) her crayon relief artwork displayed on the school's wall. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

## Two Schools Hold Parent Open House

by Andi Phelps

Southwick: Open houses were held at the two local elementary schools last Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Parents were given the opportunity to meet with teachers on an informal basis and to view some of the work the children have been doing for the past month.

Breaking with his usual format of presenting a welcoming speech Tuesday evening, Woodland School Principal Louis C. Crawford opted for a more relaxed evening of visiting classrooms and facilities available to the first through third graders.

Parents who sponsor the children's Christmas

Bazaar held a bake sale in the cafetorium to raise money for craft materials. Funds raised from bazaar sales are returned to the school for field trips, special programs, and audio-visual material not funded by the school budget.

Wednesday evening, after visiting classrooms at Powder Mill School, parents were treated to punch and dessert baked by the eighth grade home economics classes.

The open houses are held annually to encourage parents' cooperation with the school personnel and to familiarize them with their children's teachers.

### Westfield's Holy Trinity Schedules Bazaar

The Holy Trinity School P.T.O. is once again planning its annual bazaar to be held in the school hall on November 14th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The P.T.O. will feature a craft table, home-baked goods table, snack bar, and raffle. Hot apple pies will be baked on the premises.

Table space will be available to rent by exhibitors and may be reserved by calling Carol Tessier at (413) 562-0147 or Sue Pellegrini at (413) 562-3091.

Proceeds will benefit Holy Trinity School.

#### Woodland School

**Mon:** frankfurter on roll, potato puffs, carrot & celery sticks, fruited pudding, milk.  
**Tues.:** Turkey & gravy on bread, buttered green beans, bread & butter, cake, milk  
**Wed.** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Popeye salad, French bread & butter, cake milk.  
**Thurs.:** Hamburger on roll, French fries, buttered corn, jello, milk  
**Fri.:** French bread pizza w/meat & cheese, tossed salad, fresh fruit, milk

## Southwick Guidance Report

By Bernard Hagan



### WHAT DOES A COLLEGE SEEK IN AN APPLICANT

This will vary widely depending on the educational institution. It is vital that you read all the data and entrance requirements from college catalogs and/or college guides. However, the majority of colleges have listed the following items as important in their selection of a student:

1. Your high school record: from 9th grade through your senior year. Most colleges look for a minimum "C" average with many wanting "A" or "B" grades. The kind of courses taken and the difficulty of such courses can be particularly important, especially if you wish to attend a 4-year college.

2. Your rank in class: figured at end of grade 11. All major subjects are considered. The averages of all students are then arranged from the highest to the lowest. Honors courses are weighted.

3. Your scores on entrance examinations: A good majority of 4-year and some 2-year colleges require the SAT's and sometimes the achievements. However, a variety of other schools (nursing, technical colleges, etc.) may require an entrance test. Again check your catalogs.

4. Extracurricular and community activities: especially those that show leadership, your talents, interests, and contributions to your community. Work, volunteer or otherwise, and travel are also considered.

5. Personal references and recommendations: from teachers, counselors, employers, and others who may know you.

Other items schools may look for are personal interview, an autobiography or a particular talent you have, such as in art, music, drafting, etc.

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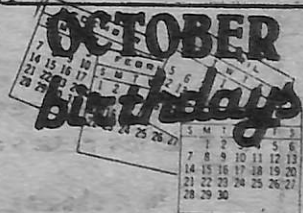
The U. S. government reports that there are about ten private vocational schools in the United States. They teach more than 3 million students dozens of trades.

The quality of these schools differs so much that it would be foolish to take courses in many of them. You should ask the same questions about such a school that you would about a vocational high school in your community's school system.

The most important question is usually how certain can I be that this school can train me? You can get the answer by checking in with your high school career counselor. You can ask for the names of graduates of the school who got jobs through the school. You can check with the Better Business Bureau to find out if there have been complaints that the school didn't keep its promises. You can speak to

people in the trade who may know about the value of the training the school offers. And you may also be able to learn more about the school by checking with your state department of education.

Doing such research can save you time, trouble and money if it leads you to the right school. Get your parents and friends involved as you do all you can to find out more about a private vocational school before you enroll in it.



If you or a loved one were born in October, you share your birthday with these famous people:

October 4: Was the birthday of Rutherford B. Hayes, nineteenth president of the United States. He was born in Delaware, Ohio, in 1822.

October 6: On this day in 1820, Jenny Lind, the Swedish operatic and concert singer, was born.

October 14: Dwight D. Eisenhower, thirty-fourth president of the United States, was born in 1890 at Denison, Texas.

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**Thurs., Oct. 8:** Oven fried haddock, mashed potato, French bread, fruit cup, milk  
**Fri., Oct. 9:** Tomato soup, double cheese sandwich, cole slaw, chocolate cream pudding, milk



By  
**Stuart Fuller**  
 Guidance Director  
 Suffield Schools

Each year, we hear from some students that one or more of the courses they are enrolled in is "dumb" or has little to do with career goals! And each year, we try to help students to understand that even the "dumbest" course to them does have a direct relationship to many things in addition to the content of the course. It also reflects a person's attitude, work habits, communication skills and so on.

A student's performance in any course shows prospective employers and/or colleges the student's experiences and ability to work within a system. We understand that many people are not interested in everything they do, but we do contend that most successful people are those who work hard at everything they try.

WE feel that the Suffield High School curriculum is an excellent one that offers a variety of experiences for every student. Even the most trivial course in the eyes of some can be seen to have value and a direct relationship to one's career plans.

In an effort to help seniors be sure they meet graduation requirements, the Guidance Staff is presently in the process of sending copies of transcripts home. These transcripts represent the "official" picture that employers or colleges see of potential employees or students.

The transcript shows quarter and final grades for the student's high school years, as well as class rank, college test results and attendance. If any errors are suspected, students are encouraged to clear them up as soon as possible to avoid surprises at graduation.

**GRADUATE NEWS:** Four 1979 Suffield graduates have received Associate Degrees at Bay Path Junior College in Longmeadow, Mass: **Kathy Kulas, Heidi Wilson, Terri Sheridan and Gay Samplatsky** received their degrees in June.

**Words of Wisdom/Dates To Remember**

**October 5** - A good time for seniors to check out Scholarship Cove in the Guidance Suite.

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**Childhood Model Taught In Suffield**

By Lil Devin

**Suffield:** Children in Bridge Street School and West Suffield School are taught according to Suffield's Early Childhood Model. According to Eileen Oleksak, principal of the two elementary schools, the model is based on the premise that all human beings have an unlimited potential to know and to love.

Three ground rules of the model are that students talk softly, walk quietly, and keep their areas clean.

The program is designed to help children in five areas of learning. The psycho-motor area develops balance and coordination through art, handwriting, gym, and recess.

Auditory and visual perception is developed through reading. Cognition, or thinking skills, is aided through courses in math and reading comprehension.

Children are also taught to relate to others and to develop self-confidence through positive reinforcement.

Students' attention spans are developed as teachers encourage children to learn. Goals are set up by students and their teachers and tasks must be completed.

All teachers and teacher aides have been trained in

the model, which has been in use in the schools since 1975. Volunteers receive similar training.

Mrs. Oleksak emphasized the importance of volunteers since the success of the program depends on individual help provided to the children.

First and second graders share classrooms, and work is tailored to each child's individual needs.

Teachers serve as role models for their students by presenting a calm, soft-spoken manner which carries over to the children, who remain quiet and polite with or without supervision.

The program at the two schools is success-oriented, but non-competitive - an atmosphere which is conducive to learning.

According to Mrs. Oleksak, Suffield and Hamden, Maine, are the only two towns in the east that have adopted the early childhood model. Dr. Daniel Jordan of UMass provides school personnel with on-going training in the model to insure its effectiveness in the school system.

Mrs. Oleksak stated, "We put the theory into practice." Quiet surroundings, soft-spoken teachers, and cheerful, well-mannered children who are eager to learn are proof of this statement.

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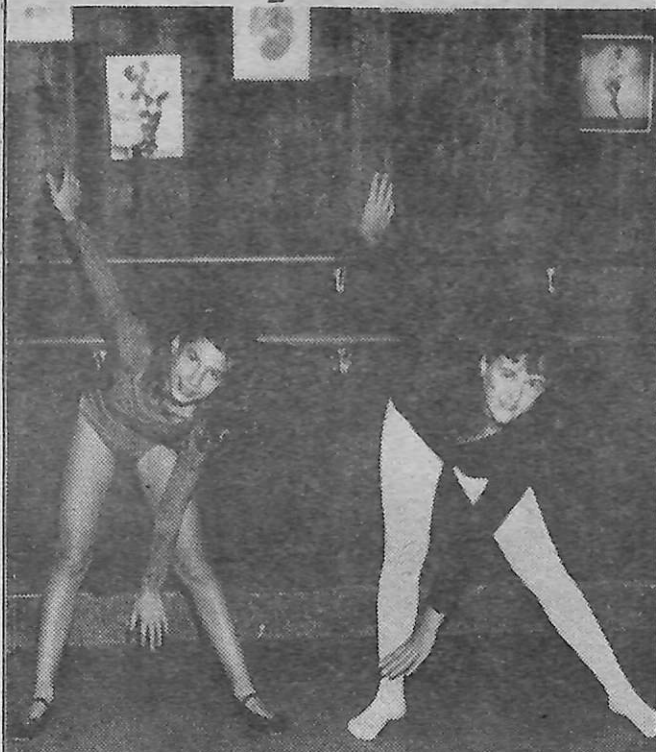
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## Academy Exercisers



TERRY HASELTINE, 10, left, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Haseltine of Southwick, and Kelly McNamee, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McNamee of Agawam, were two students from the Academy of Artistic Performance, located in Southwick, Suffield, and Agawam, who were recently chosen to exercise with celebrity Richard Simmons when he appeared last month at the Fairfield Mall, Chicopee. Photo by Jack Devine

## Suffield High Hosts FFA National Chief

By Lil Devin

Suffield: The Vocational Agricultural program at Suffield High School welcomed as its guest the national president of the Future Farmers of America, Mark Herndon, last Monday evening. Herndon spoke to Voc-Ag members and their families during a gathering that included a volleyball game, cookout, and slide presentation.

Herndon is visiting FFA chapters throughout New England prior to returning to his home in Oklahoma City. He stressed the important role FFA plays in developing both personal and business leadership qualities in its members.

The FFA is a youth organization with local, state, and national chapters which provides career exploration and experience in agriculture and related areas.

The Voc-Ag program at the high school is a ten-town regional program which strives to develop technical competency in its young people, according to Harrison Griffin, director of the school-based program. It is fully accredited and is operated for a twelve-month program, as opposed to the normal nine-month school year.

Roger Lawrence, state consultant for Vocational Agriculture, described the school's program as a supervised occupational experience program. Students receive instruction in animal and plant science, greenhouse, natural resources, and agricultural mechanics. The latter includes welding, woodwork, metal work, and machine maintenance.

In addition to classroom work, the 100 Voc-Ag students at Suffield High are expected to do laboratory work and participate in on-the-job experience with local farms and firms.

Improved public speaking, leadership skills, and organization are all stressed in the program to help prepare students for careers in agriculturally oriented fields.

FFA aids in achieving this through its organization of state-wide skills contests and through support offered in presentations such as the one staged at Suffield High last week.

## McAlister Downs Somers

Suffield Recreation Department/McAlister Middle School girls soccer players, grades 6, 7, and 8 defeated Somers on Saturday by a score of 8-1. Offensively the girls were led by Maryann Patillo, Meg Glime, Stacy Galiatsos and Tricia Markowski.

Defensively the girls were led by Karen Smith, Tricia Markowski, Kim Morrison, and Jaydeam Martino.

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3. Try to hold your breath intermittently to reduce the amount of smoke inhaled.
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## Safety Suggestions

By Lt. Robert Williams  
Suffield Police Department

Effective October 1, 1981 new provisions have been added to Connecticut's gun laws. These new provisions effect those persons who own and carry pistols and revolvers and those persons who are apprehended for using a firearm in the commission of crime.

The law addresses itself to both the law-abiding gun owner and the criminal. In order to help protect the innocent citizen from becoming a victim of circumstance, the law provides that they will be notified by mail at least 90 days before their permit expires and will receive a renewal form at that time. The law also provides a grace period for 90 days after their permit expires.

The second section of the law states that "No person shall carry any pistol or revolver upon his person, except when such person is within his dwelling house or place of business, without a permit..." The penalty for a violation of the permit section has been increased and now provides that unless the court finds mitigating circumstances, a person found guilty of a violation may be fined up to \$1,000 and imprisoned for up to five years, or both.

If convicted and no mitigating circumstances are found, then a person must serve 1 year imprisonment. This in effect means that anyone found with a handgun without a permit will upon conviction have to serve 1 year in jail.

In speaking to the criminal element of society the Connecticut Legislature passed a new law which also became effective October 1, 1981. This law states that "any person who uses or threatens the use of a pistol, revolver, machine gun, shot gun, rifle or other firearm," may be charged with Criminal Use of A Firearm and shall receive a 5 year sentence which cannot be suspended or reduced. The intent of this law is to insure that any person committing a felony with a gun will serve at least 5 years in prison.

The police have adopted a cautious wait and see attitude with regards to these laws. If the courts will strictly enforce these laws and follow their intent by sending violators to jail, it will undoubtedly have a deterrent effect on others. If loopholes are found in the laws or prosecutors fail to prosecute vigorously because of the overloaded dockets and overcrowded jails, then it will not accomplish anything and violent crime with the use of firearms will continue.

## Laughing Brook Family Program

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden is offering a family program on Friday, October 9th, at 7:30. Through photographic slides and a movie, children and adults will witness the life cycle of the Monarch Butterfly.

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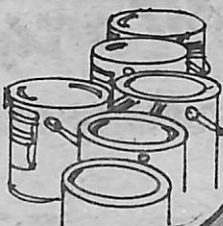
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# Sports/Recreation

## Suf. Field Hockey Tie Somers, Bow To Windsor

By Rick McCarty

The Suffield High field hockey team tied Somers High in a rain shortened contest on Tuesday, September 22. After the first half ended in a 1-1 tie, the heavens opened and the game was called. The referees and coaches decided to count the game as if it were played in full.

Sparkling the hometowners were tri-captain Chelen Edwards and goalie Beth Glime. Both played steady defensively while Edwards also was a force on the offense. With this steady play, Suffield jumped to a 1-0 advantage as senior Nancy Mann scored 15 minutes into the half. However, Somers fought back to knot the score as the intermission came. The tie left Suffield NCCC record at 0-0-2.

In a non-league game on Friday, September 25, the Wildcats were soundly thrashed by Windsor High, Windsor, a perennial state power in field hockey, tallied twice in each half to register a 4-0 win.

The real loss for Suffield was sophomore defensive standout Julie Dowd. Dowd, who played consistently and tough for Suffield, developed Achilles tendonitis in her ankles and will be lost for at least two weeks. Senior Pam Norcross will have big shoes to fill in replacing the injured Dowd at fullback.

The Wildcats final game last week was played on September 29 at Granby High. Chelen Edwards and Tammy Marek keyed the defense as the contest was played to a scoreless tie, leaving Suffield's league record at 0-0-3. The tie marked the first time in five years that Granby has not beaten the Wildcats. Coach Barbara Novak was pleased with the effort as Suffield goalie Beth Glime kicked away 12 shots while the offense unloaded six shots on a stingy Bear defense.

Suffield, led by player of the week Chelen Edwards, a junior tri-captain, travels to East Windsor on Monday, October 5 and plays host to Canton High on Tuesday, October 6.

## Timely Goal Means Victory For Suffield

By Dawn Cummock

The Suffield High girls soccer team earned its second win in style last Monday as Debbie Lownds, starting at right halfback, scored the only goal of the contest against Simsbury in the remaining five seconds of the game.

Both teams played with fire and intensity. Simsbury appeared to be the stronger side offensively in unloading 17 shots on goal while Suffield managed just 5.

But the number of shots taken proved to be irrelevant as the Suffield booters took advantage of their opportunities to raise their record to 2-1 and dropping Simsbury to 2-2.

## Locals Fare Well In Suffield Tennis



THE SUFFIELD RECREATION DEPARTMENT held its second annual tennis tournament last weekend. Two locals who fared well were Bob Greer (right) of Suffield Academy who placed second in the men's singles and Trish Morse, also of Suffield, who won the women's doubles along with partner Barbara Cabrera. Winner of the men's singles was Conrad McIntire Jr., who is the director of the Somers Recreation Department. Advertiser/News Photos By Jan Kierys



## Sportsmen Corner

By Bill Chiba

I think that the State Access Board is about twenty years too late! It has offered the Town of Southwick a \$500,000 complex to be built with taxpayers money where the SP Club is located. It would take the SP Club, land and gas station across the street out of taxation. Upon completion, it will turn the recreational facility over to the town to run and maintain. To help offset the cost of running the complex, the State suggests that the town charge \$2.00 user fees per auto. Sounds good till you start doing some serious thinking.

For starters, thousands of gallons of water is being dumped every day by the residents in the Congamond Watershed area. It has to go somewhere, and ends up in the lake. We all have heard of the Dead Sea; well in a few years, there will be a dead Congamond Lakes unless a sewer system is installed in the very near future. The state would have done a better deed if they had offered the town the \$500,000 towards the building of a sewer system.

The big question that comes to my mind is, Who will use the new complex? If not bathers, beer blasters? speed boat enthusiasts? a few fishermen? Speed boats mean more policing. The taxpayers of Southwick could end up paying for the complex operation in the future. I don't think you can compare the establishment with Hampden Ponds. It is state operated. The operation in Robinson Park, Agawam, is conducted by the state. If there is a loss, the entire state pays the deficits.

I know that most of the article is on the negative side. I can't help feeling this way because of the condition of the water in the lakes. This complex is closely related to the water of the lakes and the use they can be put to. You might say that the state is 20 years too late and ten years too early.

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## Southwick Harriers Continue To Roll

By Chris Hout

The understatement of the year came from Southwick cross country coach Dick Atkinson on Thursday following his team's rather decisive victory over Springfield Tech.

Atkinson said, "Our boys look pretty good." Wrong. Fact is, the Rams look awesome. The locals are now 6-0 this season, and chances are very good that Atkinson's troops won't taste defeat all year, following last season's 15-1 record. Atkinson still isn't predicting but the feeling here is that Southwick possesses all the tools to run a perfect 11-0 record this season.

The Southwick runners have destroyed every opponent they have faced this season with the exception of Palmer, who as expected, gave Atkinson's boys a run for their money.

At Tech High School on Thursday, the Rams ran the Tigers right out of Springfield, as Southwick placed the top four finishers in the meet. Eric Cass placed first (13:01), Dave Deray was second (13:03), Billy Anderson third (13:21), and Ronnie Ward was fourth at (13:38). Tech's Phil Lean was fifth (13:55) and Southwick's Brian Phillips was sixth (13:55 and Tech's Ed Martinez was seventh (14:00).

Good news for Southwick fans: injured harrier

Matt McGann should return to the lineup sometime next week. McGann injured himself last week in a meet with Ludlow, and at first it was feared that Matt would be lost for the rest of the season. The injury has been diagnosed as a sprained foot, and shouldn't sideline the star runner for any more than another week.

Earlier last week, Southwick faced its stiffest opponent of the year in Palmer High School, one of the premiere cross country squads in this part of the state. The McGann-less Rams may even have been the underdogs before the meet had started, it was a real dogfight right till the end, with Rams the eventual winner 26-20.

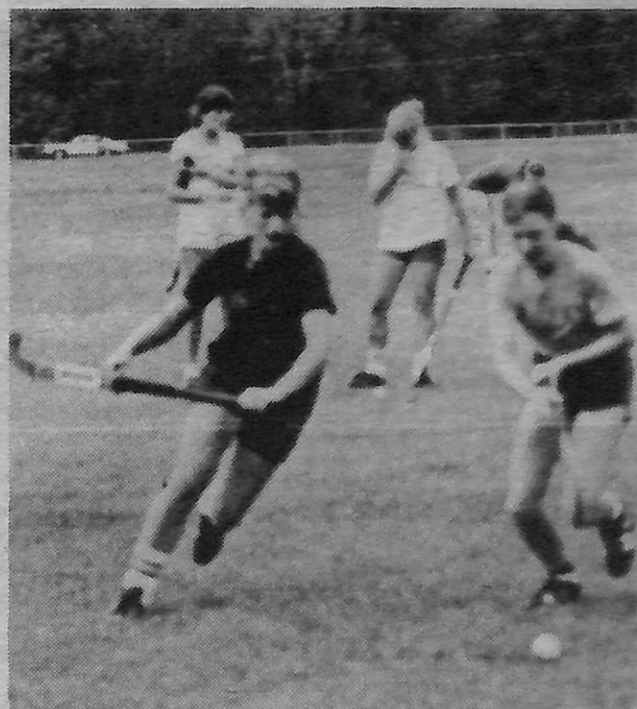
The Palmer harriers occupied the top two spots, but Southwick placed the next three. Ron Lombardi took place (13:35), and Paul Vertefeuille (13:51) took second, followed by Evan Anderson (13:55), Dave Deray (13:59), and Eric Cass (14:05). Later in the same afternoon the Rams crunched Ware by a score of 18-45.

Southwick's next meet is on Monday, October 5 at Agawam. The Rams next home meet is on Thursday, October 8 when they face both Minnechaug and Amherst. Starting time for the tri-meet is 3:30 p.m.

## Suffield Recreation Offers

The Suffield Recreation Department is currently offering several programs including Belly Dancing, Yoga, Judo, Self-Defense for Women, Men's Fitness Class And Women's Fitness Class.

The Men's Fitness Class will meet on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Instructor will be Linda Cohen. Call the Recreation Office for the starting date. The department also has a Cardiovascular Fitness Program. The program stresses: Cardiovascular fitness, flexibility, muscular strength and relaxation.



GOOD HUSTLE in practice has paid high dividends for the undefeated Southwick High School girls field hockey squad. Advertiser/News photo by Jack Devine.

## Lions Club Begins Turkey Shoots

Southwick: The Southwick Lions Club will begin sponsoring Turkey Shoots every Sunday, beginning October 11th, weather permitting. The shoots are scheduled to start at 1 p.m.

These shoots will take place on the grounds of the American Legion off Powder Mill Road.

## Southwick Gals Remain Unbeaten

By Chris Hout

The Southwick Rams gained their sixth victory of the 1981 season by virtue of a 4-1 victory over the Minnechaug Falcons in girls field hockey action last Wednesday at Minnechaug High School.

The Rams continue to dominate the Western Mass. field hockey scene, as they are now 5-0 in the Valley Division (first place) and are now 6-0 overall. The girls have outscored their opponents by a lopsided 20 to 3 margin in their first six contests.

"It took us a while to get going out there. Once we did, we played real well. Minnechaug has a good scoring team," said Southwick coach Sheila Bewsee.

Senior winger Karen Shultz was just too much for Minnechaug. Karen scored 2 goals and assisted on two others. Schulz' second score provided the margin of victory for the high flying Rams.

Kim Florek and Kim Hepburn applied the back breakers for Southwick as they each scored late in the game, putting the Falcons away for good.

Minnechaug forward Ann Majkiewicz spoiled Southwick's goaltender Robin Schools' bid for her fifth shutout of the season. The Falcons scored a goal with just 20 seconds remaining of the clock.

Schools was tested all afternoon by a never-say-die Minnechaug squad who attempted to hand the Rams their first setback of the season. It wasn't to be as Robin was equal to the task. She frustrated the Minnechaug stickers throughout the contest with save after save.

"Robin played a super game today. Her goals against average will indicate the kind of year she's having," beamed Bewsee.

Earlier in the week, the Rams travelled to Amherst for a game with the Hurricanes. Schools recorded her fourth shutout of the year and the Southwick squad came away with a 5-0 victory to improve their record to their current undefeated status.

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# Rams Await St. Mary's Clash

By Chris Hout

In preparation for their biggest game of the young season, the Southwick Rams defeated the Monson Mustangs 3-1 in boys high school soccer action on Thursday at Southwick High School. The Rams now await the invasion of rival St. Mary's. The two powerhouses will clash Monday, October 5 at Southwick. Game time is 3:15.

The Rams are now 3-0 in their division and 4-0 overall. Southwick and St. Mary's are both undefeated and are presently sharing the top spot in the Hampshire-Franklin C Division.

In Thursday's victory, the Rams received goals from John Coward, Paul Armitage and Butch Mitchell, as they knocked off a tough Monson side. Armitage was credited with the game winner as he scored at 3:56 of the second session. Dave Reed added a pair of assists and played brilliantly for the locals.

Southwick dominated Monson right from the start. The Rams controlled the flow of play throughout the

wet afternoon, outshooting the Mustangs 20 to 9 in the contest. Southwick coach Bob Dvorchak wasn't taking the Monson team lightly. "They have a good team. Besides, Monson beat us twice last year so we knew what we were up against."

Dvorchak had nothing but praise for Derrick Davidson and Danny English for their contributions on defense. "Those two guys played terrific out there today. They did an excellent job on defense. Let's hope for the same against St. Mary's on Monday."

Looking ahead to Monday's contest with St. Mary's, Dvorchak said the locals must find the answer to the Saints potent and feared offensive attack. "They have a powerful offense, maybe the best in all of Western Mass," he said. "Our best defense is a good offense of our own. If we can keep the ball in their zone their offense will be slowed down considerably."

"It's going to be a great game," he said of the battle of the Division C titans. Don't miss it.

# Suffield Booters On Top Of NCCC

By Rick McCarty

Freshman winger David Sullivan scored two goals to help the Suffield High soccer team to a 3-1 win over their NCCC rival Tolland High Eagles in a game played Saturday, September 26 at Tolland.

Suffield was off to a quick start, putting the pressure on every Tolland player, forcing the Eagles to make mistakes. The Wildcats pounced on one of those miscues 1:30 into the game when seniors John Gallant and David Merrill put pressure on the Tolland fullbacks. Merrill came up with the loose ball and put it home for a 1-0 lead.

Minutes later, David Sullivan took a pass as he streaked down the left wing and put the ball into the far corner of the cage. This put the count at 2-0 with Suffield being the aggressor at both ends of the field.

However, with just over 15 minutes remaining in the half, Tolland put together their game and made several sustained offensive threats, finally cashing in on a Todd Manchester goal from out of a crowd in front of Suffield's goaltender, Steve Quagliaroli.

The Wildcats showed their mettle as they countered with a goal as the second half began. David Sullivan intercepted a pass, eluded an Eagle defender, and scored his second goal of the game as well as his second of the season. From that point on, Suffield continually pressured Tolland with Sullivan narrowly missing a third goal as his shot ricocheted off the post.

Wildcat coach Tom Ferreri was pleased with the effort. He cited the play of David Simmons and young Sullivan. "With (senior sweeper John) Bertolini hurt, Simmons played a great game at sweeper for us."

Earlier in the week on Wednesday, September 23, Suffield played host to the Raiders of Windsor Locks in a rematch of last years Class M state semifinal match. In that game, Suffield, ranked 19th out of 20 teams in the tournament, knocked the number one ranked Locksmen out of the tourney. Wednesday, the Raiders were out to settle the score.

Settle the score they did when they jumped to a 1-0 lead as Dan Sutton tallied the first of two goals twenty minutes into the game. Suffield countered eleven minutes later when junior Bob Butler tallied his second goal of the season, with an assist from David Simmons.

In the ensuing moments the Wildcats took the lead on junior forward Jim Ruggerio's goal. Ruggerio banged home a corner kick taken by Dave Sisk. However, two minutes later, Suffield's lead was gone as Lenny Holmes scored for Windsor Locks to make the score 2-2 at the end of the first half.

Dave Merrill scored for Suffield at the 13:52 mark of the second half off a Danny Sullivan corner kick. Five minutes after that tally, Stanton put the Raiders even again as he ran a long throw past the Suffield defense.

This made the final twenty minutes very exciting as goalies Sean Riddell of Windsor Locks and Steve Quagliaroli of Suffield made several key saves. As the final whistle blew, the score ended at 3-3.

Suffield capped off the week by beating the Granby High Bears 1-0 in a game played on Tuesday, September 29 at Granby. It was a game marred by a first half brawl and a stiff wind. The Wildcats tallied on Dave Merrill's third goal of the season late in the first half.

This goal followed a bench clearing fracas that involved Suffield's Brian McEwen and a Granby player. The incident served as an incentive for the Wildcats as they controlled all parts of the field from that point on, outshooting the Bears 17-9.



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